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## ABSTRACT

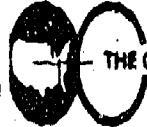
Designed to meet the job-related metric measurement needs of commercial photography students, this instructional package is one of six for the communications media occupations cluster, part of a set of 55 packages for metric instruction in different occupations. The package is intended for students who already know the occupational terminology, measurement terms, and tools currently in use. Each of the five units in this instructional package contains performance objectives, learning activities, and supporting information in the form of text, exercises, and tables. In addition, suggested teaching techniques are included. At the back of the package are objective-based evaluation items, a page of answers to the exercises and tests, a list of metric materials needed for the activities, references, and a list of suppliers. The material is designed to accommodate a variety of individual teaching and learning styles, e.g., independent study, small group, or whole-class activity. Exercises are intended to facilitate experiences with measurement instruments, tools, and devices used in this occupation and job-related tasks of estimating and measuring. Unit I, a general introduction to the metric system of measurement, provides informal, hands-on experiences for the students. This unit enables students to become familiar with the basic metric units, their symbols, and measurement instruments; and to develop a set of mental references for metric values. The metric system of notation also is explained. Unit 2 provides the metric terms which are used in this occupation and gives experience with occupational measurement tasks. Units 3 focuses on job-related metric equivalents and their relationships. Unit 4 provides experience with recognizing and using metric instruments and tools in occupational measurement tasks. It also provides experience in comparing metric and customary measurement instruments. Unit 5 is designed to give students practice in converting customary and metric measurements, a skill considered useful during the transition to metric in each occupation. (HD)

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# TEACHING AND LEARNING THE METRIC SYSTEM

This metric instructional package was designed to meet job-related metric measurement needs of students. To use this package students should already know the occupational terminology, measurement terms, and tools currently in use. These materials were prepared with the help of experienced vocational teachers, reviewed by experts, tested in classrooms in different parts of the United States, and revised before distribution.

Each of the five units of instruction contains performance objectives, learning activities, and supporting information in the form of text, exercises, and tables. In addition, suggested teaching techniques are included. At the back of this package are objective-based evaluation items, a page of answers to the exercises and tests, a list of metric materials needed for the activities, references, and a list of suppliers.

Classroom experiences with this instructional package suggest the following teaching-learning strategies:

1. Let the first experiences be informal to make learning the metric system fun.
2. Students learn better when metric units are compared to familiar objects. Everyone should learn to "think metric." Comparing metric units to customary units can be confusing.
3. Students will learn quickly to estimate and measure in metric units by "doing."
4. Students should have experience with measuring activities before getting too much information.
5. Move through the units in an order which emphasizes the simplicity of the metric system (e.g., length to area to volume).
6. Teach one concept at a time to avoid overwhelming students with too much material.

Unit 1 is a general introduction to the metric system of measurement which provides informal, hands-on experiences for the students. This unit enables students to become familiar with the basic metric units, their symbols, and measurement instruments; and to develop a set of mental references for metric values. The metric system of notation also is explained.

Unit 2 provides the metric terms which are used in this occupation and gives experience with occupational measurement tasks.

Unit 3 focuses on job-related metric equivalents and their relationships.

Unit 4 provides experience with recognizing and using metric instruments and tools in occupational measurement tasks. It also provides experience in comparing metric and customary measurement instruments.

Unit 5 is designed to give students practice in converting customary and metric measurements. Students should learn to "think metric" and avoid comparing customary and metric units. However, skill with conversion tables will be useful during the transition to metric in each occupation.

## Using These Instructional Materials

This package was designed to help students learn a core of knowledge about the metric system which they will use on the job. The exercises facilitate experiences with measurement instruments, tools, and devices used in this occupation and job-related tasks of estimating and measuring.

This instructional package also was designed to accommodate a variety of individual teaching and learning styles. Teachers are encouraged to adapt these materials to their own classes. For example, the information sheets may be given to students for self-study. References may be used as supplemental resources. Exercises may be used in independent study, small groups, or whole-class activities. All of the materials can be expanded by the teacher.

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# UNIT 1

## OBJECTIVES

The student will demonstrate these skills for the Linear, Area, Volume or Capacity, Mass, and Temperature Exercises, using the metric terms and measurement devices listed here.

### SUGGESTED TEACHING SEQUENCE

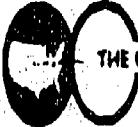
1. These introductory exercises may require two or three teaching periods for all five areas of measurement.
2. Exercises should be followed in the order given to best show the relationship between length, area, and volume.
3. Assemble the metric measuring devices (rules, tapes, scales, thermometers, and measuring containers) and objects to be measured.\*
4. Set up the equipment at work stations for use by the whole class or as individualized resource activities.
5. Have the students estimate, measure, and record using Exercises 1 through 5.
6. Present information on notation and make Table 1 available.
7. Follow up with group discussion of activities.

\*Other school departments may have devices which can be used. Metric suppliers are listed in the reference section.

SKILLS	EXERCISES				
	Linear (pp. 3-4)	Area (pp. 5-6)	Volume or Capacity (pp. 7-8)	Mass (pp. 9-10)	Temperature (p. 11)
1. Recognize and use the unit and its symbol for:	millimetre (mm) centimetre (cm) metre (m)	square centimetre ( $cm^2$ ) square metre ( $m^2$ )	cubic centimetre ( $cm^3$ ) cubic metre ( $m^3$ ) litre (l) millilitre (ml)	gram (g) kilogram (kg)	degree Celsius ( $^{\circ}C$ )
2. Select, use, and read the appropriate measuring instruments for:					
3. State or show a physical reference for:					
4. Estimate within 25% of the actual measure	height, width, or length of objects	the area of a given surface	capacity of containers	the mass of objects in grams and kilograms	the temperature of the air or a liquid
5. Read correctly	metre stick, metric tape measure, and metric rulers		measurements on graduated volume measuring devices	a kilogram scale and a gram scale	A Celsius thermometer

### RULES OF NOTATION

1. Symbols are not capitalized unless the unit is a proper name (mm not MM).
2. Symbols are not followed by periods (m not m.).
3. Symbols are not followed by an s for plurals (25 g not 25 gs).
4. A space separates the numerals from the unit symbols (4 l not 41).
5. Spaces, not commas, are used to separate large numbers into groups of three digits (45 271 km not 45,271 km).
6. A zero precedes the decimal point if the number is less than one (0.52 g not .52 g).
7. Litre and metre can be spelled either with an -re or -er ending.



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## METRIC UNITS, SYMBOLS, AND REFERENTS

Quantity	Metric Unit	Symbol	Useful Referents
Length	millimetre	mm	Thickness of dime or paper clip wire.
	centimetre	cm	Width of paper clip
	metre	m	Height of door about 2 m
	kilometre	km	12-minute walking distance
Area	square centimetre	cm <sup>2</sup>	Area of this space 
	square metre	m <sup>2</sup>	Area of card table top
	hectare	ha	Football field including sidelines and end zones
Volume and Capacity	millilitre	ml	Teaspoon is 5 ml
	litre	l	A little more than 1 quart
	cubic centimetre	cm <sup>3</sup>	Volume of this container 
	cubic metre	m <sup>3</sup>	A little more than a cubic yard
Mass	milligram	mg	Apple seed about 10 mg, grain of salt, 1 mg
	gram	g	Nickel about 5 g
	kilogram	kg	Webster's Collegiate Dictionary
	metric ton (1 000 kilograms)	t	Volkswagen Beetle

## METRIC PREFIXES

Multiples and Submultiples	Prefixes	Symbols
$1\ 000\ 000 = 10^6$	mega (mĕg'ă)	M
$1\ 000 = 10^3$	kilo (kĭlō)	k
$100 = 10^2$	hecto (hĕk'tō)	h
$10 = 10^1$	deka (dĕk'ă)	da
Base Unit $1 = 10^0$		
$0.1 = 10^{-1}$	deci (dĕs'ĭ)	d
$0.01 = 10^{-2}$	centi (sĕn'tĭ)	c
$0.001 = 10^{-3}$	milli (mĕl'ĭ)	m
$0.000\ 001 = 10^{-6}$	micro (mī'kro)	μ

Table 1-b

Table 1-a



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# LINEAR MEASUREMENT ACTIVITIES

## Metre, Centimetre, Millimetre

### I. THE METRE (m)

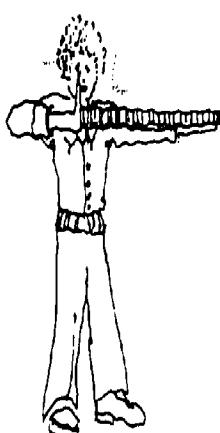
#### A. DEVELOP A FEELING FOR THE SIZE OF A METRE

1. Pick up one of the metre sticks and stand it up on the floor. Hold it in place with one hand. Walk around the stick. Now stand next to the stick. With your other hand, touch yourself where the top of the metre stick comes on you.



THAT IS HOW HIGH A METRE IS!

2. Hold one arm out straight at shoulder height. Put the metre stick along this arm until the end hits the end of your fingers. Where is the other end of the metre stick? Touch yourself at that end.



THAT IS HOW LONG A METRE IS!

3. Choose a partner to stand at your side. Move apart so that you can put one end of a metre stick on your partner's shoulder and the other end on your shoulder. Look at the space between you.

THAT IS THE WIDTH OF A METRE!

#### B. DEVELOP YOUR ABILITY TO ESTIMATE IN METRES

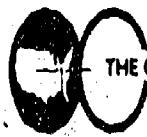
Now you will improve your ability to estimate in metres. Remember where the length and height of a metre was on your body.

For each of the following items:

Estimate the size of the items and write your estimate in the ESTIMATE column. Measure the size with your metre stick and write the answer in the MEASUREMENT column.

Decide how close your estimate was to the actual measure. If your estimate was within 25% of the actual measure you are a "Metric Marvel."

	Estimate (m)	Measurement (m)	How Close Were You?
1. Height of door knob from floor.			
2. Height of door.			
3. Length of table.			
4. Width of table.			
5. Length of wall of this room.			
6. Distance from you to wall.			



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## II. THE CENTIMETRE (cm)

There are 100 centimetres in one metre. If there are 4 metres and 3 centimetres, you write 403 cm [ $(4 \times 100 \text{ cm}) + 3 \text{ cm} = 400 \text{ cm} + 3 \text{ cm}$ ].

### A. DEVELOP A FEELING FOR THE SIZE OF A CENTIMETRE

1. Hold the metric ruler against the width of your thumbnail. How wide is it? \_\_\_\_\_ cm
2. Measure your thumb from the first joint. \_\_\_\_\_ cm
3. Use the metric ruler to find the width of your palm. \_\_\_\_\_ cm
4. Measure your index or pointing finger. How long is it? \_\_\_\_\_ cm
5. Measure your wrist with a tape measure. What is the distance around it? \_\_\_\_\_ cm
6. Use the tape measure to find your waist size. \_\_\_\_\_ cm

### B. DEVELOP YOUR ABILITY TO ESTIMATE IN CENTIMETRES

You are now ready to estimate in centimetres. For each of the following items, follow the procedures used for estimating in metres.

	Estimate (cm)	Measurement (cm)	How Close Were You?
1. Length of a paper clip.	_____	_____	_____
2. Diameter (width) of a coin.	_____	_____	_____
3. Width of a postage stamp.	_____	_____	_____
4. Length of a pencil.	_____	_____	_____
5. Width of a sheet of paper.	_____	_____	_____

## III. THE MILLIMETRE (mm)

There are 10 millimetres in one centimetre. When a measurement is 2 centimetres and 5 millimetres, you write 25 mm [ $(2 \times 10 \text{ mm}) + 5 \text{ mm} = 20 \text{ mm} + 5 \text{ mm}$ ]. There are 1 000 mm in 1 m.

### A. DEVELOP A FEELING FOR THE SIZE OF A MILLIMETRE

Using a ruler marked in millimetres, measure:

1. Thickness of a paper clip wire. \_\_\_\_\_ mm
2. Thickness of your fingernail. \_\_\_\_\_ mm
3. Width of your fingernail. \_\_\_\_\_ mm
4. Diameter (width) of a coin. \_\_\_\_\_ mm
5. Diameter (thickness) of your pencil. \_\_\_\_\_ mm
6. Width of a postage stamp. \_\_\_\_\_ mm

### B. DEVELOP YOUR ABILITY TO ESTIMATE IN MILLIMETRES

You are now ready to estimate in millimetres. For each of the following items, follow the procedures used for estimating in metres.

	Estimate (mm)	Measurement (mm)	How Close Were You?
1. Thickness of a nickel.	_____	_____	_____
2. Diameter (thickness) of a bolt.	_____	_____	_____
3. Length of a bolt.	_____	_____	_____
4. Width of a sheet of paper.	_____	_____	_____
5. Thickness of a board or desk top.	_____	_____	_____
6. Thickness of a button.	_____	_____	_____

# AREA MEASUREMENT ACTIVITIES

## Square Centimetre, Square Metre

WHEN YOU DESCRIBE THE AREA OF SOMETHING, YOU ARE SAYING HOW MANY SQUARES OF A GIVEN SIZE IT TAKES TO COVER THE SURFACE.

### I. THE SQUARE CENTIMETRE ( $\text{cm}^2$ )

#### A. DEVELOP A FEELING FOR A SQUARE CENTIMETRE

1. Take a clear plastic bag and use the grid on page 6.
2. Measure the length and width of one of these small squares with a centimetre ruler.

THAT IS ONE SQUARE CENTIMETRE!

3. Place your fingernail over the grid. About how many squares does it take to cover your fingernail?

\_\_\_\_\_  $\text{cm}^2$

4. Place a coin over the grid. About how many squares does it take to cover the coin? \_\_\_\_\_  $\text{cm}^2$

5. Place a postage stamp over the grid. About how many squares does it take to cover the postage stamp?

\_\_\_\_\_  $\text{cm}^2$

6. Place an envelope over the grid. About how many squares does it take to cover the envelope?

\_\_\_\_\_  $\text{cm}^2$

7. Measure the length and width of the envelope in centimetres. Length \_\_\_\_\_ cm; width \_\_\_\_\_ cm. Multiply to find the area in square centimetres.

\_\_\_\_\_ cm x \_\_\_\_\_ cm = \_\_\_\_\_  $\text{cm}^2$ . How

close are the answers you have in 6. and in 7.?

### B. DEVELOP YOUR ABILITY TO ESTIMATE IN SQUARE CENTIMETRES

You are now ready to develop your ability to estimate in square centimetres.

Remember the size of a square centimetre. For each of the following items, follow the procedures used for estimating in metres.

	Estimate ( $\text{cm}^2$ )	Measurement ( $\text{cm}^2$ )	How Close Were You?
1. Index card.	_____	_____	_____
2. Book cover.	_____	_____	_____
3. Photograph.	_____	_____	_____
4. Window pane or desk top.	_____	_____	_____

### II. THE SQUARE METRE ( $\text{m}^2$ )

#### A. DEVELOP A FEELING FOR A SQUARE METRE

1. Tape four metre sticks together to make a square which is one metre long and one metre wide.

2. Hold the square up with one side on the floor to see how big it is.

3. Place the square on the floor in a corner. Step back and look. See how much floor space it covers.

4. Place the square over a table top or desk to see how much space it covers.

5. Place the square against the bottom of a door. See how much of the door it covers. How many squares would it take to cover the door? \_\_\_\_\_  $\text{m}^2$

THIS IS HOW BIG A SQUARE METRE IS!



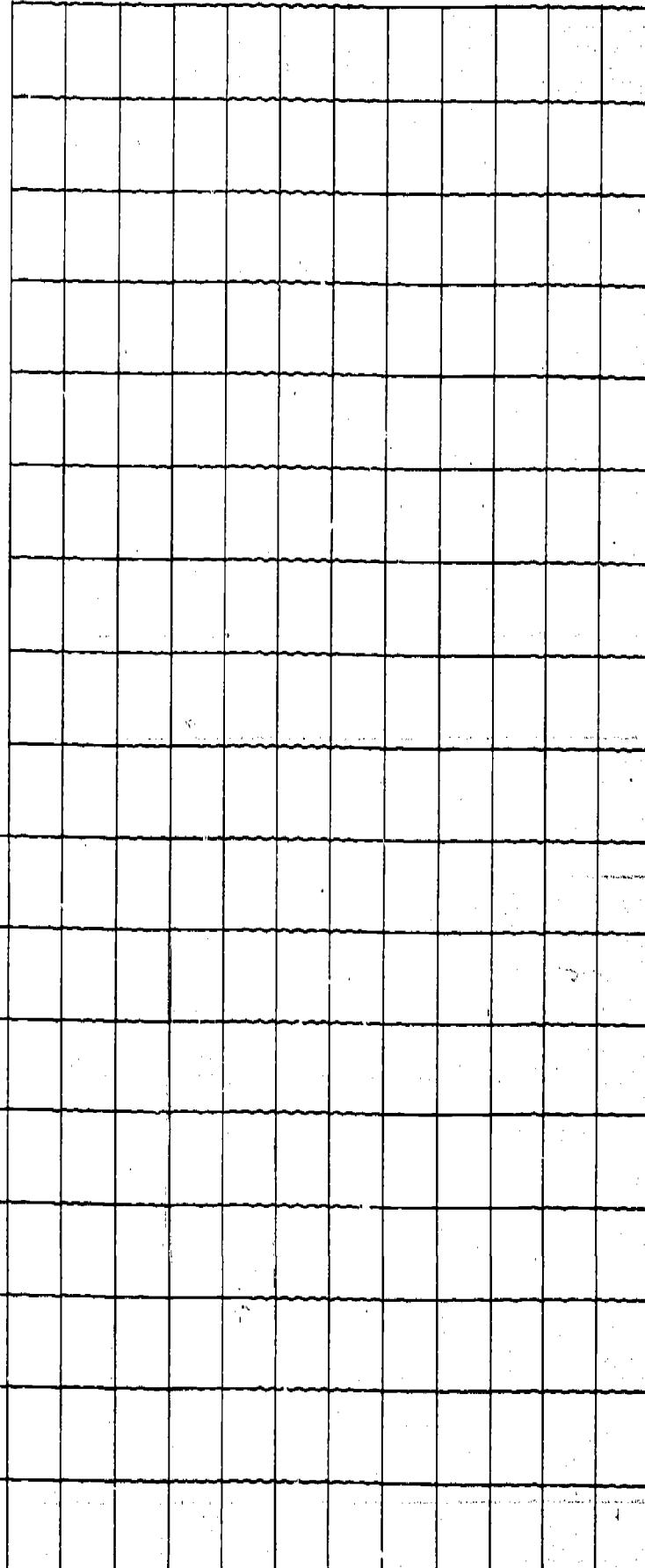
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**B. DEVELOP YOUR ABILITY TO ESTIMATE IN SQUARE METRES**

**CENTIMETRE GRID**

You are now ready to estimate in square metres. Follow the procedures used for estimating in metres.

	Estimate ( $m^2$ )	Measurement ( $m^2$ )	How Close Were You?
1. Door.	_____	_____	_____
2. Full sheet of newspaper.	_____	_____	_____
3. Chalkboard or bulletin board.	_____	_____	_____
4. Floor.	_____	_____	_____
5. Wall.	_____	_____	_____
6. Wall chart or poster.	_____	_____	_____
7. Side of file cabinet.	_____	_____	_____



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# VOLUME MEASUREMENT ACTIVITIES

## Cubic Centimetre, Litre, Millilitre, Cubic Metre

### I. THE CUBIC CENTIMETRE ( $\text{cm}^3$ )

#### A. DEVELOP A FEELING FOR THE CUBIC CENTIMETRE

1. Pick up a colored plastic cube. Measure its length, height, and width in centimetres.

THAT IS ONE CUBIC CENTIMETRE!

2. Find the volume of a plastic litre box.

a. Place a ROW of cubes against the bottom of one side of the box. How many cubes fit in the row? \_\_\_\_\_

b. Place another ROW of cubes against an adjoining side of the box. How many rows fit inside the box to make one layer of cubes? \_\_\_\_\_

How many cubes in each row? \_\_\_\_\_

How many cubes in the layer in the bottom of the box? \_\_\_\_\_

c. Stand a ROW of cubes up against the side of the box. How many LAYERS would fit in the box? \_\_\_\_\_

How many cubes in each layer? \_\_\_\_\_

How many cubes fit in the box altogether? \_\_\_\_\_

THE VOLUME OF THE BOX IS \_\_\_\_\_ CUBIC CENTIMETRES.

d. Measure the length, width, and height of the box in centimetres. Length \_\_\_\_\_ cm; width \_\_\_\_\_ cm; height \_\_\_\_\_ cm. Multiply these numbers to find the volume in cubic centimetres.

\_\_\_\_\_ cm x \_\_\_\_\_ cm x \_\_\_\_\_ cm = \_\_\_\_\_  $\text{cm}^3$ .

Are the answers the same in c. and d.?

#### B. DEVELOP YOUR ABILITY TO ESTIMATE IN CUBIC CENTIMETRES

You are now ready to develop your ability to estimate in cubic centimetres.

Remember the size of a cubic centimetre. For each of the following items, use the procedures for estimating in metres.

	How Close	Estimate	Measurement	Were You?
		( $\text{cm}^3$ )	( $\text{cm}^3$ )	
1. Index card file box.	_____	_____	_____	_____
2. Freezer container.	_____	_____	_____	_____
3. Paper clip box.	_____	_____	_____	_____
4. Box of staples.	_____	_____	_____	_____

### II. THE LITRE (I)

#### A. DEVELOP A FEELING FOR A LITRE

1. Take a one litre beaker and fill it with water.

2. Pour the water into paper cups, filling each as full as you usually do. How many cups do you fill?

THAT IS HOW MUCH IS IN ONE LITRE!

3. Fill the litre container with rice.

THAT IS HOW MUCH IT TAKES TO FILL A ONE LITRE CONTAINER!



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Exercise 3

(continued on next page)

## B. DEVELOP YOUR ABILITY TO ESTIMATE IN LITRES

You are now ready to develop your ability to estimate in litres. To write two and one-half litres, you write 2.5 l, or 2.5 litres. To write one-half litre, you write 0.5 l, or 0.5 litre. To write two and three-fourths litres, you write 2.75 l, or 2.75 litres.

For each of the following items, use the procedures for estimating in metres.

	Estimate (l)	Measurement (l)	How Close Were You?
1. Medium-size freezer container.	_____	_____	_____
2. Large freezer container.	_____	_____	_____
3. Small freezer container.	_____	_____	_____
4. Bottle or jug.	_____	_____	_____

## III. THE MILLILITRE (ml)

There are 1,000 millilitres in one litre. 1,000 ml = 1 litre. Half a litre is 500 millilitres, or 0.5 litre = 500 ml.

### A. DEVELOP A FEELING FOR A MILLILITRE

1. Examine a centimetre cube. Anything which holds  $1\text{ cm}^3$  holds 1 ml.
2. Fill a 1 millilitre measuring spoon with rice. Empty the spoon into your hand. Carefully pour the rice into a small pile on a sheet of paper.

THAT IS HOW MUCH ONE MILLILITRE IS!

3. Fill the 5 ml spoon with rice. Pour the rice into another pile on the sheet of paper.

THAT IS 5 MILLILITRES, OR ONE TEASPOON!

4. Fill the 15 ml spoon with rice. Pour the rice into a third pile on the paper.

THAT IS 15 MILLILITRES, OR ONE TABLESPOON!

## B. DEVELOP YOUR ABILITY TO ESTIMATE IN MILLILITRES

You are now ready to estimate in millilitres. Follow the procedures used for estimating metres.

How Close  
Estimate Measurement Were You?  
(ml) (ml)

1. Small juice can.
2. Paper cup or tea cup.
3. Soft drink can.
4. Bottle.

## IV. THE CUBIC METRE ( $\text{m}^3$ )

### A. DEVELOP A FEELING FOR A CUBIC METRE

1. Place a one metre square on the floor next to the wall.
2. Measure a metre UP the wall.
3. Picture a box that would fit into that space.

THAT IS THE VOLUME OF ONE CUBIC METRE!

### B. DEVELOP YOUR ABILITY TO ESTIMATE IN CUBIC METRES

For each of the following items, follow the estimating procedures used before.

How Close  
Estimate Measurement Were You?  
( $\text{m}^3$ ) ( $\text{m}^3$ )

1. Office desk.
2. File cabinet.
3. Small room.



# TEMPERATURE MEASUREMENT ACTIVITIES

## Degree Celsius

### I. DEGREE CELSIUS ( $^{\circ}\text{C}$ )

Degree Celsius ( $^{\circ}\text{C}$ ) is the metric measure for temperature.

#### A. DEVELOP A FEELING FOR DEGREE CELSIUS

Take a Celsius thermometer. Look at the marks on it.

1. Find 0 degrees.

WATER FREEZES AT ZERO DEGREES CELSIUS ( $0^{\circ}\text{C}$ )

WATER BOILS AT 100 DEGREES CELSIUS ( $100^{\circ}\text{C}$ )

2. Find the temperature of the room. \_\_\_\_  $^{\circ}\text{C}$ . Is the room cool, warm, or about right?

3. Put some hot water from the faucet into a container. Find the temperature. \_\_\_\_  $^{\circ}\text{C}$ . Dip your finger quickly in and out of the water. Is the water very hot, hot, or just warm?

4. Put some cold water in a container with a thermometer. Find the temperature. \_\_\_\_  $^{\circ}\text{C}$ . Dip your finger into the water. Is it cool, cold, or very cold?

5. Bend your arm with the inside of your elbow around the bottom of the thermometer. After about three minutes find the temperature. \_\_\_\_  $^{\circ}\text{C}$ . Your skin temperature is not as high as your body temperature.

NORMAL BODY TEMPERATURE IS 37 DEGREES CELSIUS ( $37^{\circ}\text{C}$ ).

A FEVER IS  $39^{\circ}\text{C}$ .

A VERY-HIGH-FEVER IS  $40^{\circ}\text{C}$ .

#### B. DEVELOP YOUR ABILITY TO ESTIMATE IN DEGREES CELSIUS

For each item, ESTIMATE and write down how many degrees Celsius you think it is. Then measure and write the MEASUREMENT. See how close your estimates and actual measurements are.

How Close	Estimate	Measurement	Were You?
	( $^{\circ}\text{C}$ )	( $^{\circ}\text{C}$ )	

1. Mix some hot and cold water in a container. Dip your finger into the water.

\_\_\_\_\_

2. Pour out some of the water. Add some hot water. Dip your finger quickly into the water.

\_\_\_\_\_

3. Outdoor temperature.

\_\_\_\_\_

4. Sunny window sill.

\_\_\_\_\_

5. Mix of ice and water.

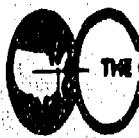
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6. Temperature at floor.

\_\_\_\_\_

7. Temperature at ceiling.

\_\_\_\_\_



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# UNIT 2

## OBJECTIVES

The student will recognize and use the metric terms, units, and symbols used in this occupation.

- Given a metric unit, state its use in this occupation.
- Given a measurement task in this occupation, select the appropriate metric unit and measurement tool.

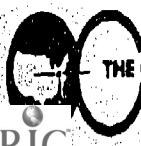
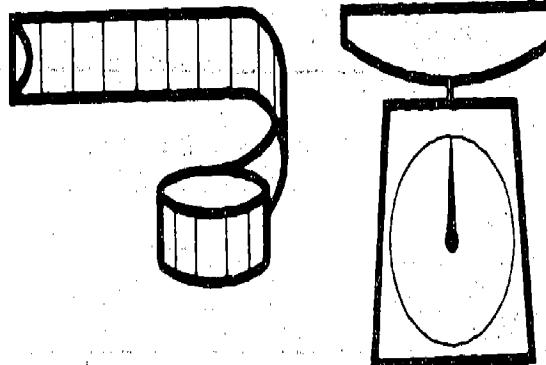
## SUGGESTED TEACHING SEQUENCE

- Assemble metric measurement tools (rules, tapes, scales, thermometers, etc.) and objects related to this occupation.
- Discuss with students how to read the tools.
- Present and have students discuss Information Sheet 2 and Table 2.
- Have students learn occupationally-related metric measurements by completing Exercises 6 and 7.
- Test performance by using Section A of "Testing Metric Abilities."

## METRICS IN THIS OCCUPATION

Changeover to the metric system is under way. Large corporations are already using metric measurement to compete in the world market. The metric system has been used in various parts of industrial and scientific communities for years. Legislation, passed in 1975, authorizes an orderly transition to use of the metric system. As businesses and industries make this metric changeover, employees will need to use metric measurement in job-related tasks.

Table 2 lists those metric terms which are most commonly used in this occupation. These terms are replacing the measurement units used currently. What kinds of job-related tasks use measurement? Think of the many different kinds of measurements you now make and use Table 2 to discuss the metric terms which replace them. See if you can add to the list of uses beside each metric term.



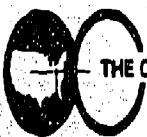
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# METRIC UNITS FOR PHOTOGRAPHY

Quantity	Unit	Symbol	Use
Linear	millimetre	mm	Film, mount, printing plates, paper, margins
	centimetre	cm	Sheet film, print paper, layout, masking sheet*
Area	square millimetre	mm <sup>2</sup>	Print paper, retouching, enlarging
	square centimetre	cm <sup>2</sup>	Print paper, enlarging
	square metre	m <sup>2</sup>	Studio, darkroom
Mass	gram	g	Mass (weight) of powders, crystals, postage
	kilogram	kg	Quantity purchase or use of powders, crystals; supplier, shipping
Volume/Capacity	millilitre	ml	Water, alcohol, wash-up solution; developing, fixing, hypo solutions; tank and tray capacities**
	litre	l	
	cubic centimetre	cm <sup>3</sup>	Capacity of solution tanks, developing tanks and trays**
Pressure	kilopascal	kPa	Air pressure and vacuum settings
Temperature	degree Celsius	°C	Room, darkroom, storage and solution temperatures; dry mount press
Dilutions/Concentrates	millilitres per litre	ml/l	Mixing liquid to liquid
	grams per litre	g/l	Mixing powders and crystals to liquids
Application rates	millilitres per square metre	ml/m <sup>2</sup>	Estimating materials needed and applying materials
	grams per square metre	g/m <sup>2</sup>	

\*Either centimetres or millimetres may be used. A final decision has not been made by U.S. manufacturers. To obtain current information, contact the National Association of Photographic Manufacturers.

\*\*Capacities of tanks, trays, and reservoirs can be given either in terms of liquid capacity (millilitres and litres) or in terms of cubic volume (cubic centimetres) of the inside space.



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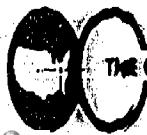
Table 2

# TRYING OUT METRIC UNITS

To give you practice with metric units, first estimate the measurements of the items below. Write down your best guess next to the item. Then actually measure the item and write down your answers using the correct metric symbols. The more you practice, the easier it will be.

	Estimate	Actual
<b>Length</b>		
1. Palm width		
2. Hand span		
3. Your height		
4. Camera width		
5. Diameter of lens		
6. Height of tripod		
7. Film width		
8. Print paper length		
9. Lamp-to-subject distance		
<b>Area</b>		
10. Enlarger easel		
11. Developing tray		
12. Print paper		
13. Darkroom		
14. Dry mounting tissue		
<b>Volume/Capacity</b>		
15. Graduate (metric)		

	Estimate	Actual
16. Developing tank		
17. Processing tray		
18. Bucket		
19. Storage space		
20. Small bottle		
21. Jug		
22. Small box or package		
<b>Mass</b>		
23. 35 mm camera		
24. Bottle of developing agent		
25. Camera tripod		
26. Light meter		
27. Box or bag of crystals		
<b>Temperature</b>		
28. Indoor		
29. Outdoor		
30. Darkroom		
31. Hot tap water		
32. Cold tap water		



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Exercise 6

# PHOTOGRAPHING WITH METRICS

It is important to know what metric measurement to use. Show what measurement to use in the following situations.

1. Length of print tongs	
2. Length of sheet film	
3. Length of a paper cutter bar	
4. Lens-to-subject distance for a portrait	
5. Lamp-to-subject distance for a portrait	
6. Dimensions of a piece of dry mounting tissue	
7. Distance of copyboard lights from copyboard	
8. Capacity of a bottle of opaque solution	
9. Distance of safe light from sensitized materials	
10. Length of light table	
11. Dimensions of an enlarger easel	
12. Dimensions of a copyboard	
13. Mass of a quantity of developer powder	
14. Mass of a quantity of fixer crystals	
15. Dimensions of background material for portraits	

16. Temperature of refrigerated storage area

17. Height of posing bench for adult portraits

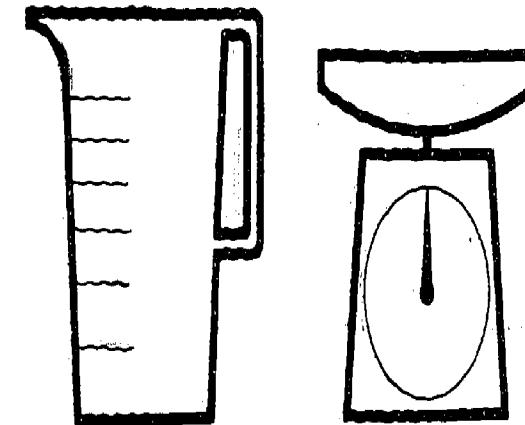
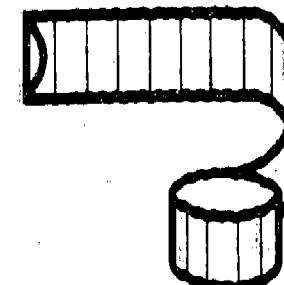
18. Dimensions of a large photo mural

19. Distance of a "long shot"

20. Temperature of a mixture of developing solution

21. Area of a darkroom facility

22. Dimension of a sheet or roll of film



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Exercise 7

# UNIT 3

## OBJECTIVE

The student will recognize and use metric equivalents.

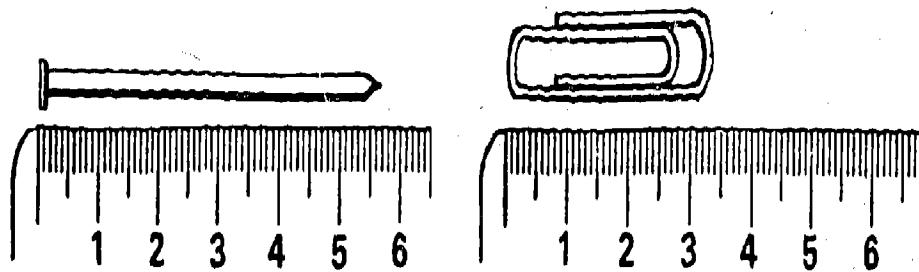
- Given a metric unit, state an equivalent in a larger or smaller metric unit.

## SUGGESTED TEACHING SEQUENCE

- Make available the Information Sheets (3-8) and the associated Exercises (8-14), one at a time.
- As soon as you have presented the Information, have the students complete each Exercise.
- Check their answers on the page titled ANSWERS TO EXERCISES AND TEST.
- Test performance by using Section B of "Testing Metric Abilities."

## METRIC-METRIC EQUIVALENTS

### Centimetres and Millimetres



Look at the picture of the nail next to the ruler. The nail is 57 mm long. This is 5 cm + 7 mm. There are 10 mm in each cm, so 1 mm = 0.1 cm (one-tenth of a centimetre). This means that 7 mm = 0.7 cm, so 57 mm = 5 cm + 7 mm  
= 5 cm + 0.7 cm  
= 5.7 cm. Therefore 57 mm is the same as 5.7 cm.

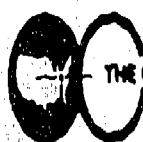
Now measure the paper clip. It is 34 mm. This is the same as 3 cm + \_\_\_\_\_ mm. Since each millimetre is 0.1 cm (one-tenth of a centimetre), 4 mm = \_\_\_\_\_ cm. So, the paper clip is 34 mm = 3 cm + 4 mm  
= 3 cm + 0.4 cm  
= 3.4 cm. This means that 34 mm is the same as 3.4 cm.

### Information Sheet 3

Now you try some.

a) 26 mm = _____ cm	e) 132 mm = _____ cm
b) 583 mm = _____ cm	f) 802 mm = _____ cm
c) 94 mm = _____ cm	g) 1 400 mm = _____ cm
d) 680 mm = _____ cm	h) 2 307 mm = _____ cm

### Exercise 8



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## Metres, Centimetres, and Millimetres

There are 100 centimetres in one metre. Thus,

$$2 \text{ m} = 2 \times 100 \text{ cm} = 200 \text{ cm},$$

$$3 \text{ m} = 3 \times 100 \text{ cm} = 300 \text{ cm},$$

$$8 \text{ m} = 8 \times 100 \text{ cm} = 800 \text{ cm},$$

$$36 \text{ m} = 36 \times 100 \text{ cm} = 3600 \text{ cm}.$$

There are 1 000 millimetres in one metre, so

$$2 \text{ m} = 2 \times 1000 \text{ mm} = 2000 \text{ mm},$$

$$3 \text{ m} = 3 \times 1000 \text{ mm} = 3000 \text{ mm},$$

$$6 \text{ m} = 6 \times 1000 \text{ mm} = 6000 \text{ mm},$$

$$24 \text{ m} = 24 \times 1000 \text{ mm} = 24000 \text{ mm}.$$

From your work with decimals you should know that

one-half of a metre can be written 0.5 m (five-tenths of a metre),

one-fourth of a centimetre can be written 0.25 cm

(twenty-five hundredths of a centimetre).

This means that if you want to change three-fourths of a metre to millimetres, you would multiply by 1 000. So

$$0.75 \text{ m} = 0.75 \times 1000 \text{ mm}$$

$$= \frac{75}{100} \times 1000 \text{ mm}$$

$$= 75 \times \frac{1000}{100} \text{ mm}$$

$$= 75 \times 10 \text{ mm}$$

= 750 mm. This means that  $0.75 \text{ m} = 750 \text{ mm}$ .

## Information Sheet 4

Fill in the following chart.

metre m	centimetre cm	millimetre mm
1	100	1 000
2	200	
3		
9		
		5 000
7.4		
0.8	80	
0.6		600
	2.5	25
		148
	639	

## Exercise 9

## Millilitres to Litres

There are 1 000 millilitres in one litre. This means that

2 000 millilitres is the same as 2 litres,

3 000 ml is the same as 3 litres,

4 000 ml is the same as 4 litres,

12 000 ml is the same as 12 litres.

Since there are 1 000 millilitres in each litre, one way to change millilitres to litres is to divide by 1 000. For example,

$$\text{Or } 1000 \text{ ml} = \frac{1000}{1000} \text{ litre} = 1 \text{ litre}.$$

$$2000 \text{ ml} = \frac{2000}{1000} \text{ litres} = 2 \text{ litres}.$$

And, as a final example,

$$28000 \text{ ml} = \frac{28000}{1000} \text{ litres} = 28 \text{ litres}.$$

What if something holds 500 ml? How many litres is this? This is worked the same way.

$$500 \text{ ml} = \frac{500}{1000} \text{ litre} = 0.5 \text{ litre} \text{ (five-tenths of a litre). So } 500 \text{ ml} \text{ is the same as one-half (0.5) of a litre.}$$

Change 57 millilitres to litres.

$$57 \text{ ml} = \frac{57}{1000} \text{ litre} = 0.057 \text{ litre} \text{ (fifty-seven thousandths of a litre).}$$

## Information Sheet 5

Now you try some. Complete the following chart.

millilitres (ml)	litres (l)
3 000	3
6 000	
	8
14 000	
	23
300	0.3
700	
	0.9
250	
	0.17
275	

## Exercise 10



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## Litres to Millilitres

What do you do if you need to change litres to millilitres? Remember, there are 1 000 millilitres in one litre, or 1 litre = 1 000 ml.

So,

$$\begin{array}{ll} 2 \text{ litres} = 2 \times 1000 \text{ ml} = 2000 \text{ ml}, \\ 7 \text{ litres} = 7 \times 1000 \text{ ml} = 7000 \text{ ml}, \\ 13 \text{ litres} = 13 \times 1000 \text{ ml} = 13000 \text{ ml}, \\ 0.65 \text{ litre} = 0.65 \times 1000 \text{ ml} = 650 \text{ ml}. \end{array}$$

### Information Sheet 6

Now you try some. Complete the following chart.

litres	millilitres
1	1000
8	8000
5	5000
46	46000
	32000
0.4	400
0.53	530
	480

### Exercise 11

## Grams to Kilograms

There are 1 000 grams in one kilogram. This means that

2 000 grams is the same as 2 kilograms,

5 000 g is the same as 5 kg,

700 g is the same as 0.7 kg, and so on.

To change from grams to kilograms, you use the same procedure for changing from millilitres to litres.

### Information Sheet 7

Try the following ones.

grams	kilograms
4000	4
9000	9
23000	23
	8
300	0.3
275	0.275

### Exercise 12

## Kilograms to Grams

To change kilograms to grams, you multiply by 1 000.

$$\begin{array}{l} 4 \text{ kg} = 4 \times 1000 \text{ g} = 4000 \text{ g}, \\ 23 \text{ kg} = 23 \times 1000 \text{ g} = 23000 \text{ g}, \\ 0.75 \text{ kg} = 0.75 \times 1000 \text{ g} = 750 \text{ g}. \end{array}$$

### Information Sheet 8

Complete the following chart.

kilograms	grams
7	7000
11	25000
0.4	
0.63	
	175

### Exercise 13

## Changing Units at Work

Some of the things you use in this occupation may be measured in different metric units. Practice changing each of the following to metric equivalents by completing these statements.

- a) 3 100 cm film magazine holds \_\_\_\_\_ m
- b) 750 ml of solution is \_\_\_\_\_ l
- c) 1 250 g of chemical is \_\_\_\_\_ kg
- d) 3.26 g of acid is \_\_\_\_\_ mg
- e) 210 mm print paper is \_\_\_\_\_ cm
- f) 4 litres of developer is \_\_\_\_\_ ml
- g) 500 cm of print paper is \_\_\_\_\_ m
- h) 250 ml of solution is \_\_\_\_\_ l
- i) 500 g of hypo crystals is \_\_\_\_\_ kg
- j) 279 mm film is \_\_\_\_\_ cm
- k) 0.25 litre of liquid hypo is \_\_\_\_\_ ml
- l) 1 litre of developer is \_\_\_\_\_ ml
- m) 28 cm print paper is \_\_\_\_\_ mm
- n) 10 m roll of tape is \_\_\_\_\_ cm
- o) 0.5 m lamp-to-subject distance is \_\_\_\_\_ cm

## OBJECTIVE

The student will recognize and use instruments, tools, and devices for measurement tasks in this occupation.

- Given metric and Customary tools, instruments, or devices, differentiate between metric and Customary.
- Given a measurement task, select and use an appropriate tool, instrument or device.
- Given a metric measurement task, judge the metric quantity within 20% and measure to a 2% accuracy.

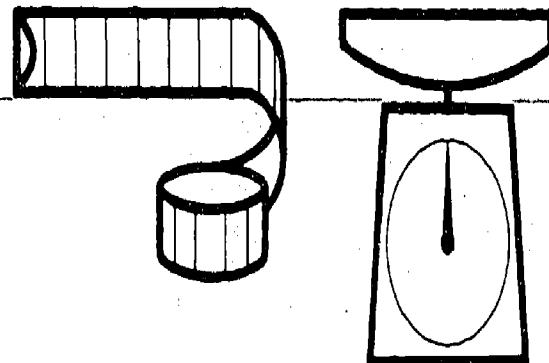
## SUGGESTED TEACHING SEQUENCE

- Assemble metric and Customary measuring tools and devices (rules, scales, °C thermometer, wrenches, light meters, graduates) and display in separate groups at learning stations.
- Have students examine metric tools and instruments for distinguishing characteristics and compare them with Customary tools and instruments.
- Have students verbally describe characteristics.
- Present or make available Information Sheet 9.
- Mix metric and Customary tools or equipment at learning station. Give students Exercises 15 and 16.
- Test performance by using Section C of "Testing Metric Abilities."

## SELECTING AND USING METRIC INSTRUMENTS, TOOLS AND DEVICES

Selecting an improper tool or misreading a scale can result in an improper sales form, wasted time and materials, loss of customers, or injury to self or fellow workers. For example, mixing chemicals at 52°F instead of 52°C (about 126°F) would mean the crystals wouldn't go into the solution properly and film or paper could be ruined in processing. Here are some suggestions:

- Find out in advance whether Customary or metric units, tools, instruments, or products are needed for a given task.
- Examine the tool or instrument before using it.
- The metric system is a decimal system. Look for units marked off in whole numbers, tens or tenths, hundreds or hundredths.
- Look for metric symbols on the tools or gages such as m, mm, kg, g, kPa, etc.
- Look for decimal fractions (0.25) or decimal mixed fractions (2.50) rather than common fractions (3/8).
- Some products may have a special metric symbol such as a block M to show they are metric.
- Don't force devices which are not fitting properly.
- Practice selecting and using tools, instruments, and devices.



## WHICH TOOLS FOR THE JOB?

Practice and prepare to demonstrate your ability to *identify, select, and use* metric-scaled tools and instruments for the tasks given below. You should be able to use the measurement tools to the appropriate precision of the tool, instrument, or task.

1. Measure and mix developer ingredients.
2. Mix acetic acid in stop bath solution.
3. Position copyboard lights.
4. Expose print paper for a 210 mm by 280 mm enlargement.
5. Measure lens-to-subject distance for portrait or copyboard work.
6. Place processing trays a safe distance from the safe light.
7. Mount photo for exhibit.
8. Pour the proper amount of developer in a tray to develop one piece of sheet film.
9. Develop roll films, film packs, and small sizes of sheet film in a small tank.
10. Space two sheets of film on hangers in a tank.
11. Prepare or take from stock the amount of solution needed for small tank developing.
12. Select pre-cut dry mounting material for a photo to minimize waste.
13. Check temperature of developing or printing solution.

## MEASURING UP IN PHOTOGRAPHY

For the tasks below, estimate the metric measurement to within 25% of actual measurement, and verify the estimation by measuring to the precision of the tool.

	Estimate	Verify
1. Correct temperature of a developing solution		
2. Amount of liquid solution in partly filled bottle or jug		
3. Size of a sheet of contact printing paper		
4. Floor space of a darkroom		
5. Area covered by an enlarger lamp 60 cm from copyboard		
6. Temperature of a darkroom		
7. Volume of a quantity of mixed print developer		
8. Distance between lens and copyboard for photographing copy		
9. Area of a light table		
10. Temperature of a refrigerated area for storing supplies		
11. Capacity of a developing tray or sink		



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### Exercise 15

### Exercise 16

# UNIT 5

## OBJECTIVE

The student will recognize and use metric and Customary units interchangeably in ordering, selling, and using products and supplies in this occupation.

- Given a Customary (or metric) measurement, find the metric (or Customary) equivalent on a conversion table.
- Given a Customary unit, state the replacement unit.

## SUGGESTED TEACHING SEQUENCE

- Assemble packages and containers of materials.
- Present or make available Information Sheet 10 and Table 3.
- Have students find approximate metric-Customary equivalents by using Exercise 17.
- Test performance by using Section D of "Testing Metric Abilities."

## METRIC-CUSTOMARY EQUIVALENTS

During the transition period there will be a need for finding equivalents between systems. Conversion tables list calculated equivalents between the two systems. When a close equivalent is needed, a conversion table can be used to find it. Follow these steps:

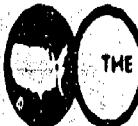
- Determine which conversion table is needed.
- Look up the known number in the appropriate column; if not listed, find numbers you can add together to make the total of the known number.
- Read the equivalent(s) from the next column.

Table 3 on the next page gives an example of a metric-Customary conversion table which you can use for practice in finding approximate equivalents. Table 3 can be used with Exercise 17, Part 2 and Part 3.

Below is a table of metric-Customary equivalents which tells you what the metric replacements for Customary units are.\* This table can be used with Exercise 17, Part 1 and Part 3. The symbol  $\approx$  means "nearly equal to."

1 cm $\approx$ 0.39 inch	1 inch $\approx$ 2.54 cm	1 ml $\approx$ 0.2 tsp	1 tsp $\approx$ 5 ml
1 m $\approx$ 3.28 feet	1 foot $\approx$ 0.305 m	1 ml $\approx$ 0.07 tbsp	1 tbsp $\approx$ 15 ml
1 m $\approx$ 1.09 yards	1 yard $\approx$ 0.91 m	1 l $\approx$ 33.8 fl oz	1 fl oz $\approx$ 29.6 ml
1 km $\approx$ 0.62 mile	1 mile $\approx$ 1.61 km	1 l $\approx$ 4.2 cups	1 cup $\approx$ 23.7 ml
1 cm <sup>2</sup> $\approx$ 0.16 sq in	1 sq in $\approx$ 6.5 cm <sup>2</sup>	1 l $\approx$ 2.1 pts	1 pt $\approx$ 0.47 l
1 m <sup>2</sup> $\approx$ 10.8 sq ft	1 sq ft $\approx$ 0.09 m <sup>2</sup>	1 l $\approx$ 1.06 qt	1 qt $\approx$ 0.95 l
1 m <sup>2</sup> $\approx$ 1.2 sq yd	1 sq yd $\approx$ 0.8 m <sup>2</sup>	1 l $\approx$ 0.26 gal	1 gal $\approx$ 3.79 l
1 hectare $\approx$ 2.5 acres	1 acre $\approx$ 0.4 hectare	1 gram $\approx$ 0.035 oz	1 oz $\approx$ 28.3 g
1 cm <sup>3</sup> $\approx$ 0.06 cu in	1 cu in $\approx$ 16.4 cm <sup>3</sup>	1 kg $\approx$ 2.2 lb	1 lb $\approx$ 0.45 kg
1 m <sup>3</sup> $\approx$ 35.3 cu ft	1 cu ft $\approx$ 0.03 m <sup>3</sup>	1 metric ton $\approx$ 2205 lb	1 ton $\approx$ 907.2 kg
1 m <sup>3</sup> $\approx$ 1.3 cu yd	1 cu yd $\approx$ 0.8 m <sup>3</sup>	1 kPa $\approx$ 0.145 psi	1 psi $\approx$ 6.895 kPa

\*Adapted from *Let's Measure Metric. A Teacher's Introduction to Metric Measurement*, Division of Educational Redesign and Renewal, Ohio Department of Education, 65 S. Front Street, Columbus, OH 43215, 1975.



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## CONVERSION TABLES

GRAM TO OUNCE			OUNCE TO GRAM		
g	oz.	g	oz.	g	oz.
100	3.53	10	0.35	1	0.04
200	7.05	20	0.71	2	0.07
300	10.58	30	1.06	3	0.11
400	14.11	40	1.41	4	0.14
500	17.64	50	1.76	5	0.18
600	21.16	60	2.12	6	0.21
700	24.70	70	2.47	7	0.25
800	28.22	80	2.82	8	0.28
900	31.75	90	3.17	9	0.32
1000	35.27				

KILOGRAM TO POUND		POUND TO KILOGRAM		MILLILITRES TO FLUID OUNCES			FLUID OUNCES TO MILLILITRES								
kg	lb.	kg	lb.	ml	fl. oz.	ml	fl. oz.	ml	fl. oz.	ml	fl. oz.	ml			
10	22.0	1	2.2	100	3.4	10	.3	1	.03	10	295.7	1	29.6	.10	.3
20	44.1	2	4.4	200	6.8	20	.7	2	.07	20	591.5	2	59.2	.2	.6
30	66.1	3	6.6	300	10.1	30	1.0	3	.10	30	887.2	3	88.7	.3	.9
40	88.2	4	8.8	400	13.4	40	1.4	4	.14	40	1182.9	4	118.3	.4	1.2
50	110.2	5	11.0	500	16.9	50	1.7	5	.17	50	1478.7	5	147.9	.5	1.5
60	132.3	6	13.2	600	20.3	60	2.0	6	.20	60	1774.4	6	177.4	.6	1.8
70	154.3	7	15.4	700	23.7	70	2.4	7	.24	70	2070.2	7	207.0	.7	2.1
80	176.4	8	17.6	800	27.1	80	2.7	8	.27	80	2365.9	8	236.6	.8	2.4
90	198.4	9	19.8	900	30.4	90	3.0	9	.30	90	2661.6	9	266.2	.9	2.7
100	220.5			1000	34.8			100		1000	2957.1	10	295.7	1.0	3.0

6 ml (4.9 ml) = 1 teaspoon  
15 ml (14.8 ml) = 1 tablespoon

1 teaspoon = 5 ml (4.9 ml)  
1 tablespoon = 15 ml (14.8 ml)



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Table 3

# ANY WAY YOU WANT IT

1. You are working as a photographer. With the change to metric measurement some of the things you order, sell or use are marked only in metric units. You will need to be familiar with appropriate Customary equivalents in order to communicate with customers and suppliers who use Customary units. To develop your skill use the Table on Information Sheet 10 and give the approximate metric quantity (both number and unit) for each of the following Customary quantities.

Customary Quantity	Metric Quantity
a) 1 lb. of hypo crystals	
b) 1 qt. of a developer	
c) 1 oz. of dry chemical	
d) 1 gal. of solution	
e) 100-feet film magazine	
f) 4 in. wide sponge	
g) 1 pt. of acetic acid solution	
h) 24 in. poster board	
i) 50 yd. roll of tape	
j) 2 lbs. of powdered fixer	
k) 3 ft. lens-to-subject distance	
l) 6 ft. lamp-to-subject distance	
m) 4 oz. of boric acid crystals	
n) 16 fl. oz. of water	
o) 10 yd. roll of dry mounting tissue	

2. Use the conversion tables from Table 3 to convert the following:

a) 60 g =	oz.
b) 300 g =	oz.
c) 2 oz. =	g
d) 16 oz. =	g

e) 474 ml = \_\_\_\_\_ fl. oz.  
 f) 64 fl. oz. = \_\_\_\_\_ ml  
 g) 25 ml = \_\_\_\_\_ fl. oz.  
 h) 46 kg = \_\_\_\_\_ lb.  
 i) 38 lb. = \_\_\_\_\_ kg

3. Complete the Requisition Form using the items listed. Convert the Customary quantities to metric before filling out the form. Complete all the information (Date, For, Job No., etc.). Order the following photographic supplies:

a) 6 oz. package of sodium sulfite  
 b) 1 lb. of hypo crystals  
 c) 50 ft. roll of super 8 mm film  
 d) 6 sheets of 9 in. by 12 in. poster board  
 e) 10 yd. roll of dry mounting tissue

REQUISITION		
For	Date _____	
Job No.	Date Wanted _____	
Deliver to _____		
QTY	UNIT	ITEM
Requested by _____		
Approved by _____		



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Exercise 17

## SECTION A

1. One kilogram is about the mass of a:

- [A] nickel
- [B] apple seed
- [C] basketball
- [D] Volkswagen "Beetle"

2. A square metre is about the area of:

- [A] this sheet of paper
- [B] a card table top
- [C] a bedspread
- [D] a postage stamp

3. The mass of fixer in powdered form is measured in:

- [A] grams
- [B] millilitres
- [C] pascals
- [D] centimetres

4. A small quantity of developer solution would be measured in:

- [A] centimetres
- [B] milligrams
- [C] kilograms
- [D] millilitres

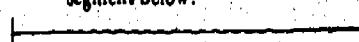
5. The correct way to write twenty grams is:

- [A] 20 gms
- [B] 20 Gm.
- [C] 20 g.
- [D] 20 g

6. The correct way to write twelve thousand millimetres is:

- [A] 12,000 mm.
- [B] 12.000 mm
- [C] 12 000mm
- [D] 12 000 mm

11. Estimate the length of the line segment below:



- [A] 23 grams
- [B] 6 centimetres
- [C] 40 millimetres
- [D] 14 pascals

Use this conversion table to answer questions 15 and 16.

g	oz.	g	oz.
100	3.53	10	0.35
200	7.05	20	0.71
300	10.58	30	1.06
400	14.11	40	1.41
500	17.64	50	1.76
600	21.16	60	2.12
700	24.70	70	2.47
800	28.22	80	2.82
900	31.75	90	3.17
1000	35.27		

## SECTION B

7. A print 20 centimetres wide also has a width of:

- [A] 200 millimetres
- [B] 0.2 millimetre
- [C] 2 000 millimetres
- [D] 2 millimetres

8. A 750 gram package of fixer is the same as:

- [A] 0.75 kilogram
- [B] 7.5 kilograms
- [C] 75 kilograms
- [D] 750 kilograms

## SECTION C

9. For measuring millilitres you would use a:

- [A] scale
- [B] thermometer
- [C] rule
- [D] measuring cup or graduate

10. For measuring Celsius you would use a:

- [A] thermometer
- [B] scale
- [C] ruler
- [D] measuring cup or graduate

12. Estimate the length of the line segment below:



- [A] 10 millimetres
- [B] 4 centimetres
- [C] 4 pascals
- [D] 23 milligrams

## SECTION D

13. The metric unit for liquid measure which replaces the fluid ounce is:

- [A] gram
- [B] millilitre
- [C] litre
- [D] hectare

15. The equivalent of 250 g is:

- [A] 18.0 oz.
- [B] 16.0 oz.
- [C] 8.81 oz.
- [D] 226.0 oz.

16. The equivalent of 180 g is:

- [A] 3.53 oz.
- [B] 6.35 oz.
- [C] 1.80 oz.
- [D] 18.0 oz.



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TESTING METRIC ABILITIES

# ANSWERS TO EXERCISES AND TEST

## EXERCISES 1 THRU 6

The answers depend on the items used for the activities.

## EXERCISE 7

Currently accepted metric units of measurement for each question are shown in Table 2. Standards in each occupation are being established now, so answers may vary.

## EXERCISE 8

a) 2.6 cm	e) 13.2 cm
b) 58.3 cm	f) 80.2 cm
c) 9.4 cm	g) 140.0 cm
d) 68.0 cm	h) 230.7 cm

## EXERCISES 9 THRU 13

Tables are reproduced in total. Answers are in parentheses.

## Exercise 9

metre m	centimetre cm	millimetre mm
1	100	1 000
2	200	(2 000)
3	(300)	(3 000)
9	(900)	(9 000)
(5)	(500)	5 000
7.4	(7.400)	(74 000)
0.8	80	(800)
0.6	(60)	600
(0.025)	2.5	25
(0.148)	(14.8)	148
(6.39)	639	(6 390)

## Exercise 10

millilitres ml	litres l
3 000	3
6 000	(6)
(8 000)	8
(14 000)	(14)
(23 000)	23
300	0.3
700	(0.7)
(900)	0.9
250	(0.25)
(470)	0.47
275	(0.275)

## Exercise 13

kilograms kg	grams g
7	7 000
11	(11 000)
(25)	25 000
0.4	(400)
0.63	(630)
(0.175)	175

## Part 2.

a) 2.12 oz.	f) 1 892.7 ml
b) 10.58 oz.	g) 0.87 fl. oz.
c) 57 g	h) 101.4 lb.
d) 453 g	i) 17.2 kg
e) 15.94 fl. oz.	

## Exercise 11

litres l	millilitres ml
8	8 000
5	(5 000)
46	(46 000)
(32)	32 000
0.4	(400)
0.53	(530)
(0.48)	480

## Exercise 14

a) 31 m	i) 0.5 kg
b) 0.75 litre	j) 27.9 cm
c) 1.25 kg	k) 250 ml
d) 3 260 mg	l) 1 000 ml
e) 21 cm	m) 280 mm
f) 4 000 ml	n) 1 000 cm
g) 5 m	o) 50 cm
h) 0.25 litre	

## Part 3.

a) 169.8 g	d) 6 - 22.86 cm
b) 0.45 kg	by 30.48 cm
c) 15.25 m	e) 9.1 m

## EXERCISES 15 AND 16

The answers depend on the items used for the activities.

## TESTING METRIC ABILITIES

1. C	9. D
2. B	10. A
3. A	11. B
4. D	12. A
5. D	13. B
6. D	14. D
7. A	15. C
8. A	16. B

## Exercise 12

grams g	kilograms kg
4 000	4
9 000	(9)
23 000	(23)
(8 000)	8
300	(0.3)
275	(0.275)

## EXERCISE 17

### Part 1.

a) 0.45 kg	i) 45.5 m
b) 0.95 litre	j) 0.9 kg
c) 28.3 g	k) 0.915 m
d) 3.79 litres	l) 1.83 m
e) 30.5 m	m) 113.2 g
f) 10.16 cm	n) 473.6 ml
g) 0.47 litre	o) 9.1 m
h) 60.96 cm	



SUGGESTED METRIC TOOLS AND DEVICES  
NEEDED TO COMPLETE MEASUREMENT TASKS  
IN EXERCISES 1 THROUGH 5

(\* Optional)

LINEAR

Metre Sticks  
Rules, 30 cm  
Measuring Tapes, 150 cm  
\*Height Measure  
\*Metre Tape, 10 m  
\*Trundle Wheel  
\*Area Measuring Grid

MASS

Bathroom Scale  
\*Kilogram Scale  
\*Platform Spring Scale  
5 kg Capacity  
10 kg Capacity  
Balance Scale with 8-piece  
mass set  
\*Spring Scale, 6 kg Capacity

VOLUME/CAPACITY

\*Nesting Measures, set of 5,  
50 ml - 1 000 ml  
Economy Beaker, set of 6,  
50 ml - 1 000 ml  
Metric Spoon, set of 5,  
1 ml - 25 ml  
Dry Measure, set of 3,  
50, 125, 250 ml  
Plastic Litre Box  
Centimetre Cubes

TEMPERATURE

Celsius Thermometer

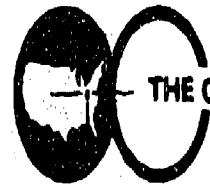
SUGGESTED METRIC TOOLS AND DEVICES  
NEEDED TO COMPLETE OCCUPATIONAL  
MEASUREMENT TASKS

In this occupation the tools needed to complete Exercises 6, 15, and 16 are indicated by "★."

- A. Assorted Metric Hardware—Hex nuts, washers, screws, cotter pins, etc.
- B. Drill Bits—Individual bits or sets, 1 mm to 13 mm range
- C. Vernier Caliper—Pocket slide type, 120 mm range
- D. Micrometer—Outside micrometer caliper, 0 mm to 25 mm range
- E. Feeler Gage—13 blades, 0.05 mm to 1 mm range
- F. Metre Tape—50 or 100 m tape
- G. Thermometers—Special purpose types such as a clinical thermometer
- ★ H. <sup>1</sup>Temperature Devices—Indicators used for ovens, freezing/cooling systems, etc.
- I. Tools—Metric open end or box wrench sets, socket sets, hex key sets
- J. Weather Devices—Rain gage, barometer, humidity, wind velocity indicators
- K. <sup>1</sup>Pressure Gages—Tire pressure, air, oxygen, hydraulic, fuel, etc.
- L. <sup>1</sup>Velocity—Direct reading or vane type meter
- M. Road Map—State and city road maps
- ★ N. Containers—Buckets, plastic containers, etc., for mixing and storing liquids
- O. Containers—Boxes, buckets, cans, etc., for mixing and storing dry ingredients

Most of the above items may be obtained from local industrial, hardware, and school suppliers. Also, check with your school district's math and science departments and/or local industries for loan of their metric measurement devices.

<sup>1</sup>Measuring devices currently are not available. Substitute devices (i.e., thermometer) may be used to complete the measurement task.



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Activity-oriented introduction to the metric system designed for independent or group inservice education study. Introductory information about metric measurement; reproducible exercises apply metric concepts to common measurement situations; laboratory activities for individuals or groups. Templates for making metre tape, litre box, square centimetre grid.

*Going Metric with the U.S. Printing Industry.* Clive A. Cameron, Graphic Arts Research Center, Rochester Institute of Technology, Rochester, NY 14623, 1972, 175 pages, \$3.70, paper.

Book on metric conversion for printing and graphics industry. Chapters on evolution of measurement; commentary on conversions in Britain and Japan; metric systems applications in paper and packaging, typesetting, and machinery and equipment; also has findings of a survey on attitudes of graphic arts firms toward the metric standard. Has related tables and graphics.

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Professional data book which gives most formulas and temperatures in both U.S. Customary and metric measurements. The unit cubic centimetre (cc) is used instead of the millilitre (ml) for liquid volume.

## METRIC SUPPLIERS

Central Instrument Company, 900 Riverside Drive, New York, NY 10032

Drafting rules and scales for drafting, engineering, architecture, conversion tables and slides, posters, teaching aids, drafting templates.

Dick Blick Company, P.O. Box 1267, Galesburg, IL 61401

Instructional quality rules, tapes, metre sticks, cubes, height measures, trundle wheels, measuring cups and spoons, personal scales, gram/kilogram scales, feeler and depth gages, beakers, thermometers, kits and other aids.

Ohaus Scale Corporation, 29 Hanover Road, Florham Park, NJ 07932

Instructional quality and precision balances and scales, plastic calipers and stackable gram cubes for beginners.

## INFORMATION SOURCES

American National Metric Council, 1625 Massachusetts Avenue, N.W., Washington, DC 20036

Charts, posters, reports and pamphlets, *Metric Reporter* newsletter. National metric coordinating council representing industry, government, education, professional and trade organizations.

Metric Committee, National Association of Photographic Manufacturers, 600 Mamaroneck Avenue, Harrison, NY 10528

Trade association which is establishing product standards, recommending practices for the use of measurement units, and coordinating metric changeover in the industry.

National Bureau of Standards, Office of Information Activities, U.S. Department of Commerce, Washington, DC 20234

Free and inexpensive metric charts and publications, also lends films and displays.